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Filed: Concurrent Docket: 10873.1864USWO  
herewith  
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VOLTAGE OF SECONDARY BATTERY, AND METHOD  
AND APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING STATE OF  
CHARGE OF SECONDARY BATTERY

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. The references were recently cited in an International Search Report, mailed August 24, 2004.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each non-U.S. document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed. Applicants believe that the references from the ISR are available to the Examiner and therefore are not supplying copies.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do


not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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